CS 164, Fall 2006

CS 164: Homework #3

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**New instructions about homework.** I'm switching to using a separate repository for homework. Check out homework framework with the command:

svn checkout svn+ssh://cs61b-tb@{\it HOST\/}/\_hw/{\it LOGIN}

where *LOGIN* is your instructional login. Submit homework by committing the hw3 subdirectory.

Unless the problem specifies otherwise, please put your solutions in a file named hw3.txt in your hw3 subdirectory.

1. [From Aho, Sethi, Ullman] Indicate what language is described by each of the following grammars. In each case, S is the only non-terminal. Some symbols are quoted to make it clear that they are terminals.

a.  $S \rightarrow 0 S 1 \mid 0 1$ b.  $S \rightarrow + S S \mid -S S \mid a$ c.  $S \rightarrow S "(" S ")" S \mid \epsilon$ d.  $S \rightarrow a S b S \mid b S a S \mid \epsilon$ e.  $S \rightarrow a \mid S + S \mid S S \mid S "*" \mid "(" S ")"$ 

2. Identify each ambiguous grammar in problem 1 above, and give an unambiguous grammar that recognizes the same language (any such grammar—don't worry about associativity or precedence, since there are no semantic actions.)

**3.** For 1d above, give two distinct leftmost derivations for the string *abab*. For each derivation, show the corresponding parse tree and the rightmost derivation for that same parse tree.

**4.** [From Aho, Sethi, Ullman] Show that all binary (base 2) numerals produced by the following grammar denote numbers that are divisible by 3:

 $N \rightarrow 11 \mid 1001 \mid N \mid 0 \mid N \mid N$ 

Does this grammar generate all non-negative binary numerals that are divisible by 3?

5. A context-free grammar is *regular* if every production has either the form  $A \to xB$ , or the form  $A \to x$ , where A and B are non-terminals and x is a string of 0 or more terminal symbols. Show that the language described by any such grammar can be recognized by a NDFA (hence the term *regular*).

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**6.** [From Aho, Sethi, Ullman] Try to design a context-free grammar for each of the following languages (it is not always possible). Whenever possible, make it a regular grammar.

- a. The set of all strings of 0's and 1's where every 0 is immediately followed by at least one 1.
- b. Strings of 0's and 1's with an equal number of 0's and 1's.
- c. Strings of 0's and 1's with an unequal number of 0's and 1's.
- d. Strings of 0's and 1's that do not contain the substring 011.
- e. Strings of 0's and 1's of the form xy where x and y are equal-length strings and  $x \neq y$ .
- f. Strings of 0's and 1's of the form xx.

7. Write a BNF grammar describing the language of boolean expressions whose value is true. The terminal symbols are '1' (true), '0' (false), '\*' (logical and), '+' (logical or), unary '-' (logical not) and left and right parentheses (for grouping). Assume the usual precedence rules, with logical "not" having highest precedence. That is, 1, 1\*1, 1+0, 1\*1\*-(0+1\*0), and -0 are all in the language, while 0, 0+0, prog-0\*1-, and 1\*1\*(0+1\*0) are not. Your grammar may be ambiguous (that is, you may specify operator precedence and associativity separately). Put your solution in a file 7.y. Start with the skeleton in 7.y in the files for this homework assignment.

8. Consider the following ambiguous grammar:

prog	$\rightarrow$	$\epsilon$			
prog	$\rightarrow$	expr '	; '		
expr	$\rightarrow$	ID			
expr	$\rightarrow$	expr '	-' expr		
expr	$\rightarrow$	expr ',	/' expr		
expr	$\rightarrow$	expr '	?' expr	':'	expr
expr	$\rightarrow$	'(' ex]	pr ')'		

The start symbol is prog; ID and the quoted characters are the terminals.

- a. Produce an (improper) LL(1) parsing table for this grammar. Since it is ambiguous, some slots will have more than one production; list all of them. Show the FIRST and FOLLOW sets.
- b. Modify the grammar to be LL(1) and repeat part a with it.

In this case, we're just interested in recognizing the language, so don't worry about preserving precedence and associativity.